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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE

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THE FOLLOWING CORRECTION(S) ARE RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED:

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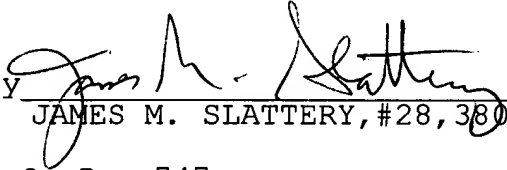
It is respectfully requested that the United States Patent  
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The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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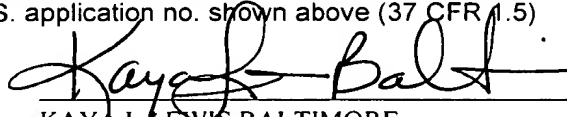
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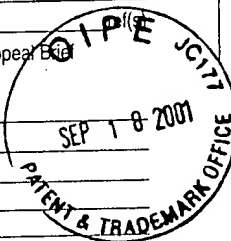
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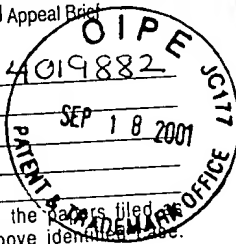
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